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## TRANSMITTAL OF REPLY BRIEF

Docket No.  
1794-0141P

In re Application of: Yoshinobu AOYAGI et al.

Application No.  
09/941,612-Conf. #6758

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Examiner  
M. J. Song

Group Art Unit  
1722

Invention: IMPURITY DOPING METHOD FOR SEMICONDUCTOR AS WELL AS SYSTEM  
THEREFOR AND SEMICONDUCTOR MATERIALS PREPARED THEREBY

### TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is a Supplemental Reply Brief in this application, with respect to the  
Supplemental Examiner's Answer  
dated March 2, 2006.

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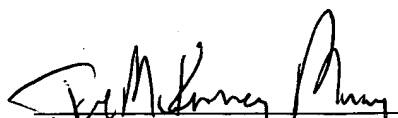
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**SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY BRIEF UNDER 37 CFR 41.41**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The present Reply is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Applicants in regard to the above-identified application. A Supplemental Examiner's Answer was mailed on March 2, 2006. Applicants note that this paper is essentially a "Substitute" Examiner's Answer since it includes all of the previous material from the original Examiner's Answer dated March 3, 2005. However, the Supplemental Examiner's Answer further includes a listing of the two additional references in Section 9 and adds a detailed discussion of the rejections starting near the bottom of page 6 and continuing to the middle of page 10. Applicants believe that the original Appeal Brief and the Reply Brief dated April 4, 2005 form a complete response to the Examiner's Supplemental Answer. Accordingly, no further arguments are being presented with this Brief. However, Applicants again wish to point out that the requirement for the grouping of claims has

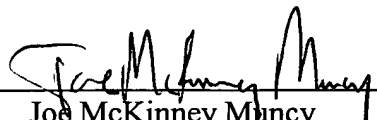
been removed from the rules and that the Examiner remains incorrect in stating in Section 7 that the claims stand or fall together.

In view of the above, Applicants again submit that the Examiner's rejections are in error and request that the rejections be removed and the application allowed.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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